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GOLD CHAPTER  
IN BERGDOLL'S  
CASE RECITED  
TO CONGRESS

(Associated Press Night Wire)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., May 9.—Through W. L. Alexander, a clerk in the treasury department, it was established by the house committee investigating the escape of Grover Bergdoll today that the latter's mother and a friend obtained \$105,000 in gold from the treasury in 1919. But from there the trail was not uncovered to the buried pot in the mountains of Maryland. James Romig, awaiting sentence for conspiracy to aid Bergdoll, was the agent, Alexander said, through whom \$45,000, the first batch of gold, was obtained. On his second trip, Romig was accompanied by Mrs. Emma C. Bergdoll, also awaiting sentence for conspiracy, and they left with \$60,000 in gold.

When he made his first visit, Romig found clerks unwilling to turn over even \$20,000 on their own responsibility and Alexander said he fumed and fretted about the halls until his application was laid before R. C. Leffingwell, then as assistant secretary, and approved. This amount was given for gold certificates but once it was placed in an automobile, Romig went back for more. There was some delay, according to Alexander, but in the end Romig got it. There was no embargo at that time on the withdrawal of government gold but the policy of the department as explained by Alexander was to keep it in the vaults by placing diplomatic obstacles in the way.

Three weeks later Romig returned with Mrs. Bergdoll. It was brought out that at the moment the woman was at the treasury, posters were displayed offering a reward for Bergdoll.

Romig pushed a bundle of bills through the window and Alexander said after some delay and with the approval of the treasurer, left with more gold than a stevedore could lift. What became of the treasure was not brought out today.

The gold chapter was related after Major General March, chief of staff, had given his views on getting Bergdoll back from Germany to serve his five-year sentence and had declared that diplomatic moves were under way to get him. Bergdoll was described as a "bad specimen" of deserter by the general who stated that he would not have apologized had Americans kidnapped him on German soil.

TORNADO DAMAGE  
(Associated Press Night Wire)

HOUSTON, May 9.—A tornado which was reported to have swept up from the coast and moved eastward, struck La Porte, near here, tonight, seriously injuring two persons, wiped out "Sylvan rooms," a summer resort near La Porte, and caused property damage of thousands of dollars.

HAYTI PROTEST ON OCCUPATION  
CALLED "ROT" BY SEC. DENBY

(Associated Press Night Wire)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., May 9.—Characterizing as "rot" charges made by the Haytian delegates in a memorial to the White House, state department and congress protesting against further military occupation, Secretary Denby said today the navy department welcomed any investigation that congress might care to make of conditions in that republic. "It is the same old rot," Mr. Denby declared, "and I am sick of waving this thing about, be disproved and recur again."

The memorial presented by delegates representing the Patriotic Union of Hayti demanded withdrawal of United States forces and charged atrocities by American marines and

PERSONAL PROPAGANDA IN COLLEGES AND  
AMONG LABOR AND NEGROES BY RADICALS

(Associated Press Night Wire)  
NEW YORK, May 9.—The report of the joint legislative committee investigating seditious activities was made public today. A preliminary report was made to the legislature April 20 and other findings were revealed during the hearings that led to the ousting of five socialist assemblymen by the assembly last summer. New matter brought out since has been incorporated in the report.

The authors conclude that revolutionary radicals have sought to further their aims through personal propaganda among college students, negroes and union laborers.

American colleges, it is charged, are honeycombed with avowed social-

ist professors whose teachings are bolshevist. "While the negro in general has been well treated in New York state," the report says, "the ill treatment accorded him in other parts of the United States has engendered a spirit of resentment kept alive by the agents and agitators of the socialist party of America, the I. W. W. and other radical groups. This spirit also has been encouraged by liberals."

The report says that "union labor is being incessantly impregnated with radical doctrines."

What purports to be the facsimile copies of letters from prominent Americans to socialists are published with the explanation that the letters speak for themselves.

JOHN M'NAMARA  
ENDS SENTENCE

(Associated Press Night Wire)  
SAN FRANCISCO, May 9.—John McNamara tonight was spending the last night of a penitentiary sentence imposed when he pleaded guilty to complicity in dynamiting the Lewellyn Iron works at Los Angeles and so far as could be learned here tonight, neither federal nor state officials would take steps tomorrow to arrest him on additional charges when he leaves San Quentin prison. McNamara will be released at 7 a. m. Behind him he will leave his brother, James B. McNamara, who is serving life imprisonment. The brothers have been cell-mates during their imprisonment.

PRINTERS GO BACK  
TO CASES, PHOENIX

(Associated Press Night Wire)  
PHOENIX, May 9.—Printers who went on strike in Phoenix a week ago today in support of their demand for a 44-hour week today agreed to return to work without a contract and to work 44 hours a week for 44 hours' pay.

This agreement was reached at a conference of employing printers with representatives of the printers. All but one of the large job shops which had been affected by the strike reopened immediately after the agreement was reached. The one that did not resume announced that it had not yet secured the return of sufficient employees to justify beginning work again. Only job shops were affected by the strike.

## METAL MARKET

NEW YORK, May 9.—Bar silver: Foreign, 61½¢; domestic, 99½¢. Copper: Quiet; electrolytic spot, 12½¢ to 13½¢.

## COTTON MARKET

NEW YORK, May 9.—Cotton closed barely steady, net 2 points higher to 6 points lower.

Germany to Agree  
On the Ultimatum

(Associated Press Night Wire)  
BERLIN, May 9.—Late tonight the party leaders admitted there would be available Tuesday in the reichstag a safe majority in favor of accepting the allied ultimatum on reparations.

JOHN PURROTT  
KILLS SELF IN  
CABIN AT MINE

Verdict of Death by a self-inflicted gunshot wound was reached by a coroner's jury yesterday, following discovery Sunday by Gus Swanson, local rent car man, of the body of John M. R. Purrott, watchman at the Cash mine in the Senator district, and a well known resident of this county.

The body was found in Purrott's cabin at the mine, the top of the head blown off by the force of the concussion. It was found that Purrott had tied a string to the trigger of the shotgun and to his toe, probably placing the muzzle of the gun in his mouth and pulling the trigger by a movement of his foot.

Motives of the suicide are believed to have been despondency. It is known that Purrott was troubled with a cancer of the hand, and that two fingers had been lost during previous operations to cure the trouble. It is thought the cancer was again troubling him, and that the prospect of another operation bred the despondency which led to his fatal act.

Purrott evidently killed himself last Friday. Apprised by Swanson Sunday night of the discovery of the body, Judge C. H. McLane and the coroner's jury proceeded to the mine. They found on a table near the body a note advising the finder to telegraph to N. H. Getchell, owner of the mine, at the Betty O'Neil mines at Battle Mountain, Nev. The note bore a postscript requesting that a letter nearby be mailed. This letter, when opened at the inquest held here yesterday morning, read as follows:

"Cash Mine, May 6, 1921.  
"Dear John:  
"I am sending you ten dollars, so good by to John and Mama."  
(Signed) JOHN PURROTT."

A ten-dollar bill was pinned to the letter. While no direct reference to suicide was contained in the letter, it is clear from its tone that such an act was in the mind of the deceased when he wrote it.

Funeral services for Purrott are being arranged for. He was between 72 and 73 years of age at the time of his death.

The members of the coroner's jury conducting the inquest yesterday were C. R. Worthen, foreman, Henry H. Bradburn, R. L. Joyce, Paul Ambberg, Con Johnson, H. N. Laird.

Advices from N. H. Getchell to Judge McLane yesterday state he has advised a man to proceed to the mine as caretaker.

SWEET'S BILL  
DISCIPLINE NOT  
"TO BE STOOD"  
FOR BY VETS

Resolutions condemning sections 14, 16 and 19 of the bill introduced in congress by Congressman Sweet, and now under consideration by a sub-committee, were adopted by a unanimous vote last night at a joint meeting of the Buckeye O'Neill post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the Ernest A. Love post of the American Legion, meeting to protest against the measures considered objectionable.

The resolutions provided for the sending of messages to every senator and representative in congress and to the sub-committee considering the Sweet bill, and pointed out that the objectionable sections are considered unjust, inimical to the welfare of patients in U. S. Public Health Service hospitals, and in conflict with the intent of the public health service act.

Forty-three dollars were collected at the meeting to provide for expense in connection with the bringing to the attention of congressmen the feeling of the ex-service men, and a committee appointed to prepare and dispatch the messages. The committee is headed by M. L. Ganey, post commander of the local V. F. W. organization and recently elected state commander, and includes W. M. Roberts, post commander of the local organization of the American Legion, and includes the following members of the two ex-service men's organizations: J. T. Moreno, George Courtney, I. A. Marcotte, Harry Juliani and James R. Lowry. Three stenographers were appointed for work in connection with the messages of disapproval, William Kolar, John J. O'Melia and F. K. Steiner.

The sections of the Sweet bill objected to provide for reduction of the compensation of disabled ex-service men in U. S. public health service hospitals, as a punishment for infraction of hospital rules. The measure provides for a reduction up to three-fourths of the compensation received, and is felt by the ex-service men to be an excessive and uncalled-for measure.

Members of the above-named committee were also instructed to consider the matter of reinstatement of insurance of disabled ex-service men where that had been dropped.

Whereas, sections 14, 16 and 19 of bill H. R. 3, recently introduced in congress, would empower the public health service to fine disabled men a considerable part of their compensation for violations of hospital rules, and

Whereas, a provision of this kind is contrary to the spirit and letter of the compensation law, which was meant to be a measure of relief for men disabled in the military service and not subject to attachments of any kind, and

Whereas, the application of military discipline in public health hospitals would tend to create discontent and irritation among patients which would in this way retard their recovery, and this is wholly needless to the hospital authorities, for they already have ample power to punish violators of rules, and

Whereas, the indiscriminate granting of power in the hands of some men who crave military authority would create an autocratic organization of the public health service; therefore, be it

Resolved, that we, patients of U. S. P. H. S. No. 50, members of V. of F. W. and the American Legion, in mass meeting assembled, do hereby register our emphatic protest against the sections of the bill, as being an oppressive and wholly uncalled-for piece of legislation.

Be it further resolved, that a copy of this resolution be sent to President Harding, to Senators Ashurst and Cameron, Congressmen Carl Hayden, respectively, to the interstate commerce sub-committee.

Be it further resolved, that we will

PUBLIC INQUIRY INTO RAILROAD EVILS  
TO BE ASKED OF CONGRESS BY THE A. F. L.

(Associated Press Night Wire)  
CINCINNATI, May 9.—The executive council of the American Federation of Labor today decided to ask the federation to call on congress to authorize a public commission to investigate the railroad situation.

The recommendation to be contained in the council's annual report to the convention in Denver June 13, it was learned, asked that congress enact legislation providing for a commission of representatives of the public, the railroad workers, railroad security holders, railroad executives, shippers and other interests.

The council takes the position, it was learned, that such an impartial investigation is necessary to learn

the truth about the railroad situation and work out a solution.

President Samuel Gompers made a report on what congress accomplished during the last year in the railroad situation.

This report, according to members, showed that no constructive remedial railroad legislation had been enacted. It detailed the federation's opposition to the Esch-Cummins act and urged labor to continue the fight to bring about its repeal.

The executive council will also report progress to the Denver convention in carrying out the declaration of the Montreal meeting in 1920, calling for "government ownership and democratic control of the railroad systems and necessary waterways."

Winter Wheat Is  
Bumper, Sez Dept.

(Associated Press Night Wire)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., May 9.—This year's winter wheat and rye crops will be larger than last year, while the hay crops will be about the same, the department of agriculture's May forecast, issued today, indicates.

Winter wheat acreage showed much less than average abandonment as a result of favorable weather and a crop of 629,287,000 bushels or 8,000,000 more than forecast a month ago is estimated on the average figures of the May 1 canvass.

SERPENT MYSTERY  
IS REVEALED HERE

Nobody really knows the inside facts about it except Neil Clark. He is recruiting something for the Way Out West show, but he is concealing his lay.

From his actions, he is framing up something mean for May 26, but whether he is going to serve lunch or liquor, is not apparent at this stage of the game.

The only fact that can be grasped is that the management of the show has advertised for 50 bull-snakes and is willing to pay 50 cents apiece for them.

BOX DRAWING FOR  
WEST SHOW MAY 19

There will be a free-for-all drawing for boxes for Way Out West, it was announced yesterday. On May 19 at 10 a. m., those who have bought boxes will congregate at the Brisley Drug company and draw boxes by numbers, just as is done for the Frontier days.

The sale of boxes has progressed rapidly. Since it was first proposed, 25 boxes have been spoken for.

not stand for it; that we express our deep regret to Mr. Sweet that he has presented this bill to congress.

Following the meeting, telegrams were sent by direction of the members, the following being examples: Congressman Hayden

Joint meeting tonight of American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars representing 800 men strongly protest against sections 14, 16 and 19 of house resolution 3 as a violation of party platform pledges and as un-American treatment. Kindly present this today to sub-committee of committee on interstate and foreign commerce.

Editor the Marion Star

Section 14, H. R. 3 provides for taking away disabled veterans' compensation to enforce hospital rules.

Section 19 gives absolute right to reduce or discontinue compensation on proposed veteran bureau's own volition. Joint meeting American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars, representing 800 men, passed resolutions of protest. We ask your co-operation.

ARIZONA U. IS  
TRACK VICTOR

ROSSELL, N. M., May 7.—The University of Arizona track team captured the triangular meet with the New Mexico Aggies and the New Mexico Military Institute by nosing out the institute with a score of 50 points to the local school's 47, while the Aggies trailed the field with 11 points. One record was broken when Jacobson, star track and field man of the institute, stepped the century in 9 4-5 seconds, but the record will not be allowed, to stand as the runner was favored by a high wind at his back. Jacobson was the star performer of the meet, annexing 27 points of his team's 47, and winning individual high score honors. The meet was in doubt until the last event was run and Arizona captured the points that made her victory certain. Charles with two firsts and Boone with a third place made the Aggies' only points.

RUSSIAN, POLISH MUSIC  
FEATURES PROGRAM

Russian and Polish music will be heard at the meeting of the Prescott Musicians' club this evening, when members gather at the Y. W. C. A. house on North Marina street at 8 o'clock.

An especially interesting feature of the program will be selections from the music of Arensky, who figures among the Russian moderns. Polish music will be represented by representative selections from the work of Chopin.

This evening's program of the club, it is felt, will be among the most interesting yet given.

## NATIONAL LEAGUE

Philadelphia, 2-3; Brooklyn 5-2 (second game 10 innings).  
No others scheduled.

## AMERICAN LEAGUE

St. Louis, 5; Detroit, 7; (called end seventh inning, rain).  
No others scheduled.

## COAST LEAGUE

Postponed games:  
Salt Lake, 1-1; Los Angeles, 8-6.  
Vernon, 8; Seattle, 4.  
San Francisco, 2; Sacramento, 3 (10 innings).

BARBER CHAIR AND TROUSERS  
DANGER ZONES IN SAILOR RIOT

(Associated Press Night Wire)  
SAN FRANCISCO, May 9.—One man, a by-stander, was shot and five men were beaten here today in waterfront rioting arising from the marine workers' strike.

The trouble began when a crowd estimated at 200 broke through a police guard and boarded the shipping board steamer Bakersfield. Three of the ship's crew were beaten badly. The crowd dispersed on learning that police reserves had been summoned.

ASHURST TOOK  
G. O. P. SIDE IN  
DEBATE ABOUT  
IMPORT TAXES

(Associated Press Night Wire)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., May 9.—Party lines were broken in the senate during debate on the emergency tariff bill today, Senator Moses, republican, of New Hampshire, delivering a scathing denunciation of it and Senator Ashurst, democrat, of Arizona, warning his colleagues "not to let the folks back home" learn they stood for free trade. Senator Moses charged that a great lobby was pressing for passage and attacked the leadership of his party for its part in seeking to enact such legislation. It was not a republican measure, he said, and had no support from the White House in so far as it proposed to continue war-time restrictions on importations of dye.

Senator Ashurst said democrats had lost elections in the past on the issue of free trade and the day had come when the rights of the agriculturists must be given equal consideration with those of the manufacturers.

Mr. Moses' drive against the lobby, which he said "was the largest, most highly organized, best paid and most arrogant of any this capital has seen," brought a rejoinder from Senator Knox, republican, of Pennsylvania, who sponsored the amendment restricting dye imports. Mr. Knox argued that Senator Moses' attitude was not based on the views of future needs of the government in time of war.

Mr. Moses submitted what he described as a statement of expenditures by the American Dyes Institute covering, he said, its activities in behalf of the tariff with its dye amendment. The alleged expenditures, he said, totaled about \$104,000. The DuPont interests also were brought in by Mr. Moses as supporters of the dye institute.

SHIPPING BOARD'S  
OPERATIONS CHIEF  
RESIGNS FOR SEA

(Associated Press Night Wire)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., May 9.—The resignation of Captain Paul Foley, U. S. N., as director of operations of the shipping board was announced tonight by Chairman Benson. W. B. Keene, assistant director of operations, has been designated acting director. Captain Foley, who was named in 1920, succeeded John E. Cushing of San Francisco. Captain Foley said he had submitted his resignation after the chairman had decided today to have Assistant Director Keene represent the division of operations before the house committee on appropriations. Captain Foley is a line officer of the navy and will resume active sea duty.

WEATHER  
DENVER, May 9.—Tuesday and Wednesday: Fair south, partly cloudy north.

Later Thomas Colleen, a chauffeur for the Matson Navigation company, was attacked by a crowd of men who declared Colleen's passengers were non-union men on their way to a ship. Colleen fired his revolver twice. One shot struck Frank Wilson, who was sitting in a barber shop having his hair cut. The other shot perforated the trousers of a man who was standing on the curb. Colleen was arrested on the charge of discharging firearms.